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RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE PROTECTION TASK FORCE
Minutes from the 9-14-12 Meeting

In attendance:

Michael Barber, Supervisor Pine's office
Bob Cormia, Foothill De Anza Community College
Noelle Bell-Copley, Ecology Action
Maryann Moise Derwin, Committee Vice Chair, Portola Valley Town Council*
Napallo Gomez-Somer, PG&E
Pedro Gonzalez, South San Francisco City Council*
Deborah Gordon, Committee Chair, Woodside Town Council*
Adrienne Etherton, Sustainable San Mateo County
Kathy Lavezzo, PG&E
Rachel Massaro, Joint Venture
Richard Napier, C/CAG
Barbara Pierce, Redwood City Council*
Dave Pine, San Mateo County Board of Supervisors*
Diane Reyes, PG&E
Sepi Richardson, Brisbane City Council*
Kim Springer, San Mateo County RecycleWorks (staff)
Sandy Wong, C/CAG
Susan Wright, San Mateo County RecycleWorks (staff)

Not in attendance:

Jim Cogan, PG&E
Jorge Jaramillo, San Mateo County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
Nicole Sandkulla, BAWSCA
Eric Sevim, A+ Japanese Auto Repair
Lauren Swezey, Facebook
*=Voting member

1) Introductions

Attendees introduced themselves and their organizations.

2) Public Comment

Kathy Lavezzo was asked about the replacement of gas transmission lines on Sand Hill Road, as it is causing traffic back-ups.

3) Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the June 2012 meeting were approved.

4) Presentation on the Joint Venture Silicon Valley, Joint Solar Purchase Program (Rachel

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Massaro - JVSU)

Rachel Massaro gave a presentation about the two rounds of group solar procurements. Her presentation is attached. In response to questions, the following information was provided:

- In the first round, multiple vendors were selected to spread out the work. Sun Power, Borrego, and Ecoplexis all did work
- Participating in this effort saved an estimated 8%.
- Joint Venture published a guidebook of best practices in collaboration with the World Resources Institute.
- The current effort is bundling projects by size, type, and geography.
- Several sites did a direct purchase in the first wave. The second wave includes different finance options.
- Energy efficiency measures are recommended to be done before solar, but it's not required.
- An idea for the future would be to do group procurement of energy management systems (EMS).
- Menlo Park, Redwood City, and the County of San Mateo are participating in the second wave.
- If agencies would like to join in the second wave, their solar site assessments need to be completed within five weeks. An RFP will go out in December or January.
- There are currently no plans for a third round, but there could be if a lead agency stepped forward.

5) Presentation on Renewed Efforts to Address Energy Efficiency in the Schools Sector in San Mateo County (Kim Springer, Napallo Gomez-Somer – PG&E)

Napallo Gomez-Somer gave a presentation about PG&E's school programs. His presentation is attached. In addition, the following information was shared:

- Schools around the county have a huge opportunity to save money through energy efficiency.
- PG&E's Savings by Design program provides incentives on new construction that goes 10% above Title 24.
- San Mateo County Energy Watch (SMCEW) has met with the Facilities Director of the San Mateo County Office of Education and is planning to benchmark all of the schools. The Office of Education has no oversight over the 23 districts. We could do a pilot with one district (Ravenswood?) and find out which other districts are motivated. Susan Wright met with the Alameda County Office of Education to learn about the innovative energy efficiency program they're doing.
- Sepi Richardson works with schools. She recommended selling the idea of energy efficiency at the highest level – educate board members and staff. The County Office of Education meets monthly. There are two parts: business and instruction.
- Deborah Gordon suggested include school foundations in outreach about energy efficiency.
- Bob Cormia said Foothill College did an analysis of energy intensity per square foot, per student. The Office of Education could get data for each school. When Foothill College installed an energy management system, there was a 25% drop in energy consumption in 15 days.
- There could be a partnership with the Stanford Precourt Institute. They could host a workshop for school districts at Stanford.
- Pedro Gonzalez said that South San Francisco did a bond measure for \$160 million to put

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- solar on 10 schools, parking lots, and playgrounds.
- Gerald Schwartz, RecycleWorks staff, is working on the Green Star Schools program. He suggests getting resource conservation adopted at the policy level.

6) Update on SB 843, Distributed Generation Legislation Currently in Assembly Committee (Kim Springer)

Kim Springer explained that this bill has died, but it may come back later.

7) Update on San Mateo County Energy Watch Program and Discussions with PG&E for the 2013-2014 Contract Transition Period (Kim Springer, Susan Wright)

Susan Wright's presentation is attached. In response, the following ideas were shared:

- Sepi Richardson said that SMCEW's accomplishments and best practices should be listed on C/CAG's website.
- SMCEW's success with comprehensive energy recommendations should be presented to the CMEQ committee and city managers.
- SMCEW should calculate the amount of kwh and therms reduced per \$1 spent.

8) Update on Regionally Integrated Climate Action Planning Suite (RICAPS) Progress

Kim Springer explained that cities are continuing to work on their climate action plans. There is now a forecasting tool posted on the SMCEW website.

http://www.smcenergywatch.com/countywide_climate_action.shtml

9) Committee Member Updates

There were no updates.

10) Next Regular Meeting Date: Friday, October 12 3-5pm (This was cancelled.)